



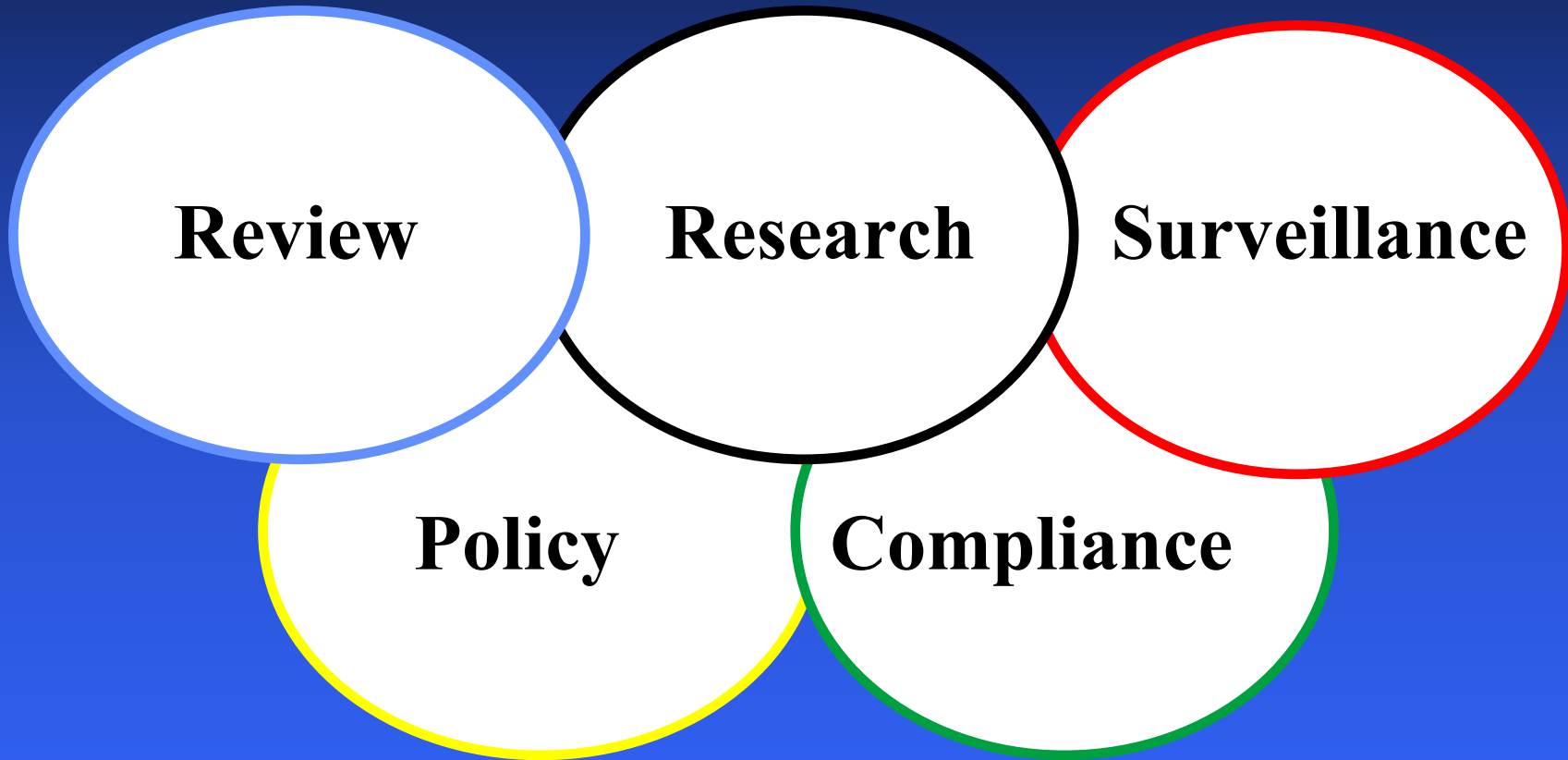
CBER Update

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CBER Regulation

**Based on Sound Science, Law, and Public Health
Impact**



Shepherding Safe and Effective Products

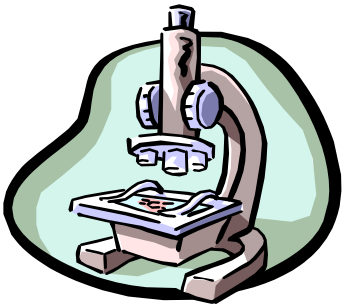
Regulatory Research

FDA

Bench

Bedside

Marketplace



BASIC

Translational
Research

NIH
Academia
Industry



APPLIED

Pharmaceutical
Research

Industry



SAFETY & QUALITY



The Regulatory Pendulum

Centralization

Enforcement

Legal emphasis

Privatization

Process



Decentralization

Education

Science-based

Government

Content

Improving Operations of Team Biologics

Adopt internal quality management system

Develop metrics to determine impact on industry

Standardize training and qualifications of Core Team members

Risk-based work planning

Increased communications between headquarters and field



Product Specialists

Exploring possible approaches to include product and technical specialists on inspection teams

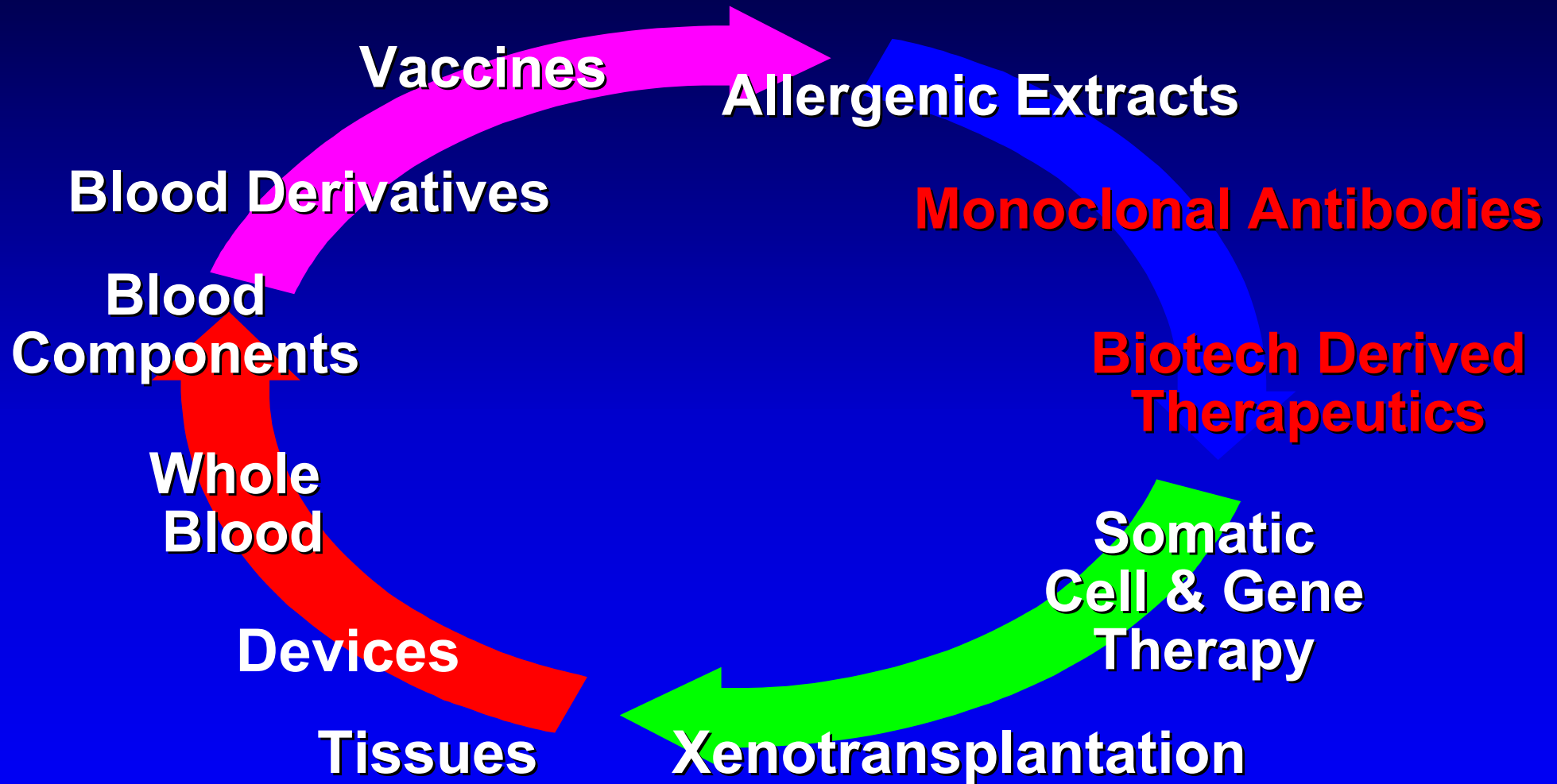
- Product Specialists already participate on Team Biologics inspections**

Enhance technical quality and consistency of inspections

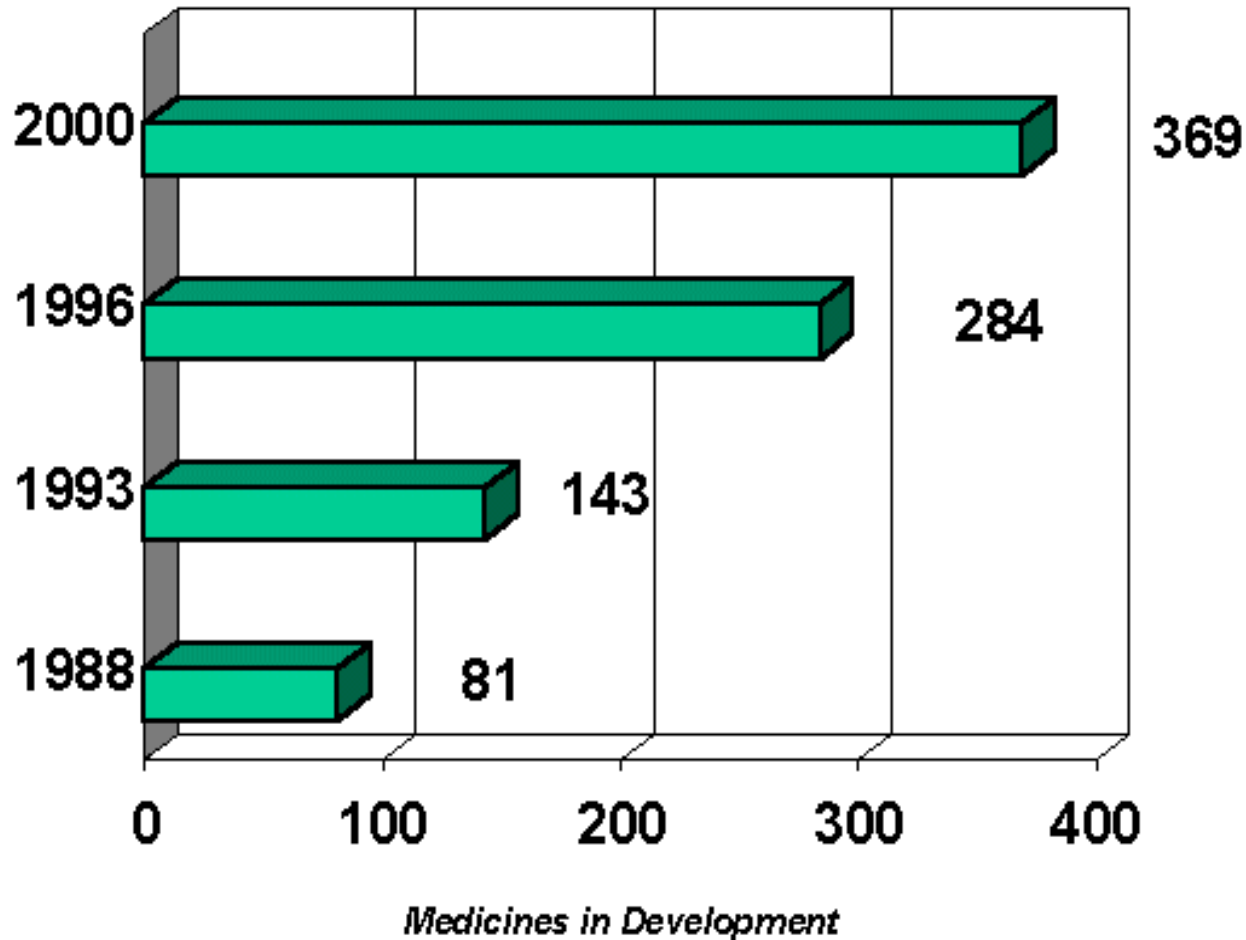
Facilitate adoption of innovative manufacturing technologies



BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS REGULATED BY CBER



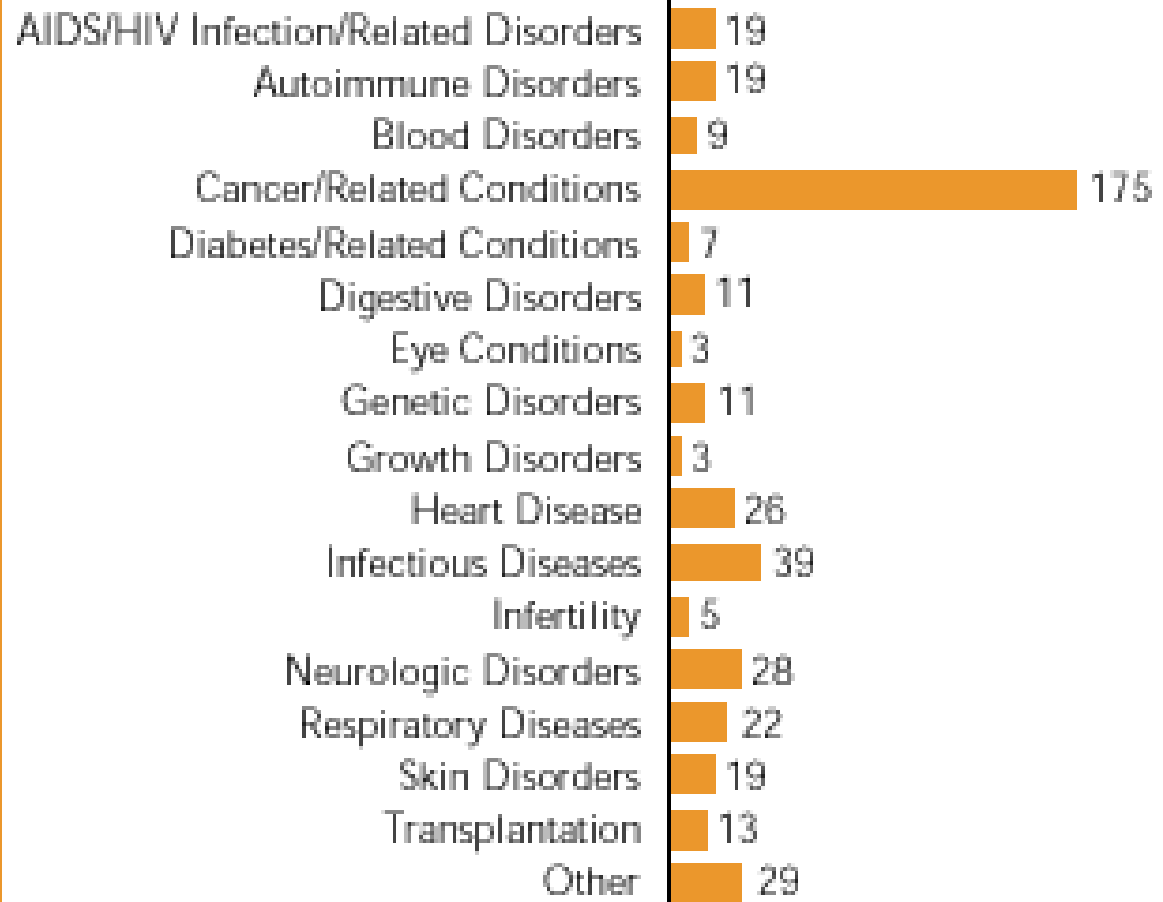
Biotechnology Medicines in Development Over the Years



The Pace of Biotechnology

A 2000 survey by PhRMA found 369 Products defined as “biotechnology medicines” in the pipeline. These use substances produced in the body to counter disease.

BIOTECHNOLOGY MEDICINES IN DEVELOPMENT— BY THERAPEUTIC CATEGORY*



*Some medicines are listed in more than one category.

Commissioner's Priorities

Strong FDA

Risk Management

Decrease Medical Errors and AEs

Better informed constituents

Counter-terrorism

*All highly pertinent to CBER missions
and products, including blood*



CBER CHALLENGES 2003

Organizational Changes

New Performance Goals

New Technologies

International Harmonization

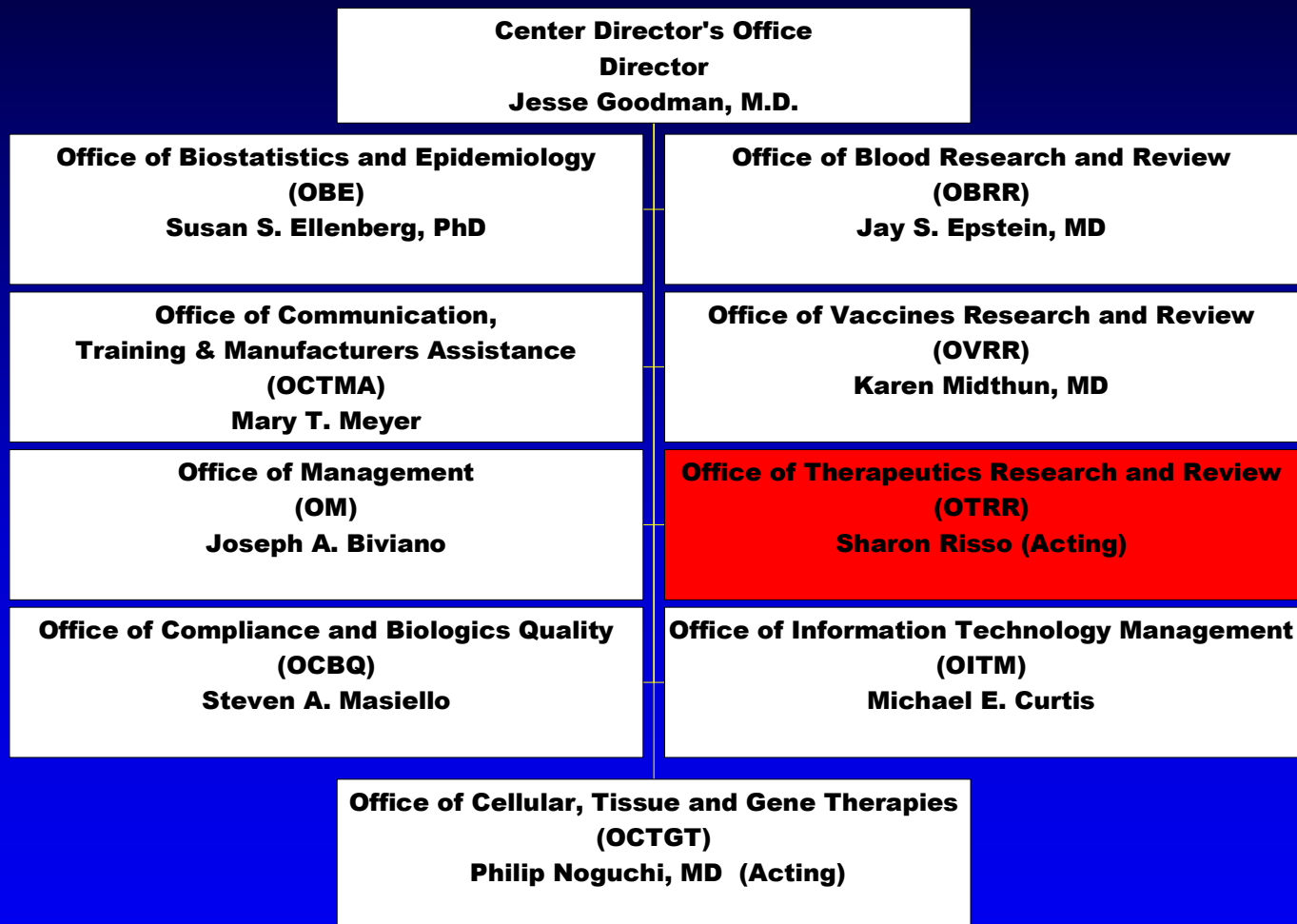
E-business

Counterterrorism

Strong Regulatory Research Programs



CBER Organization



What's Going

Monoclonal antibodies

**Cytokines, growth factors, enzymes,
interferons -- (including recombinant
versions)**

**Proteins intended for therapeutic use that are
extracted from animals or microorganisms
(except clotting factors)**

Other therapeutic immunotherapies



What's Staying

Monoclonal antibodies, cytokines, growth factors, or other proteins when used solely as an ex vivo constituent in a manufacturing process / when used solely as a reagent in the production of a product that is under the jurisdiction of CBER

Viral-vectored gene insertions (i.e., “gene therapy”)

Products composed of human or animal cells or from physical parts of those cells



What's Staying (continued)

Plasma expanders

Allergen patch tests

Allergenics

Antitoxins, antivenins, and venoms

In vitro diagnostics

Vaccines

**Toxoids and toxins intended for
immunization**



The OTRR, CBER record

Science-based regulation of biologic therapeutics at OTRR has played a central role in the development and availability of safe and effective products of biotechnology that are revolutionizing medicine.

OTRR scientists/physicians work independently of but closely with regulated biotechnology.

- Extraordinary number of meetings**
- Timely, science based guidance**

OTRR scientists/physicians have provided international leadership in the science-based regulation of biotechnology products.



The OTRR, CBER record (continued)

The number of new product approvals is increasing.

Despite the complexity and novelty of biotechnology products, review times and approval times compare favorably with those for other types of drugs.

Biological therapeutics are often available first in the U.S.

There has never been need to recall an OTRR-approved biotechnology drug due to safety concerns.



Number of Cycles to Approval

**From CY 1995-2001, OTRR approved
41% of the original BLAs submitted with
1 cycle**

19% took 3 or more cycles

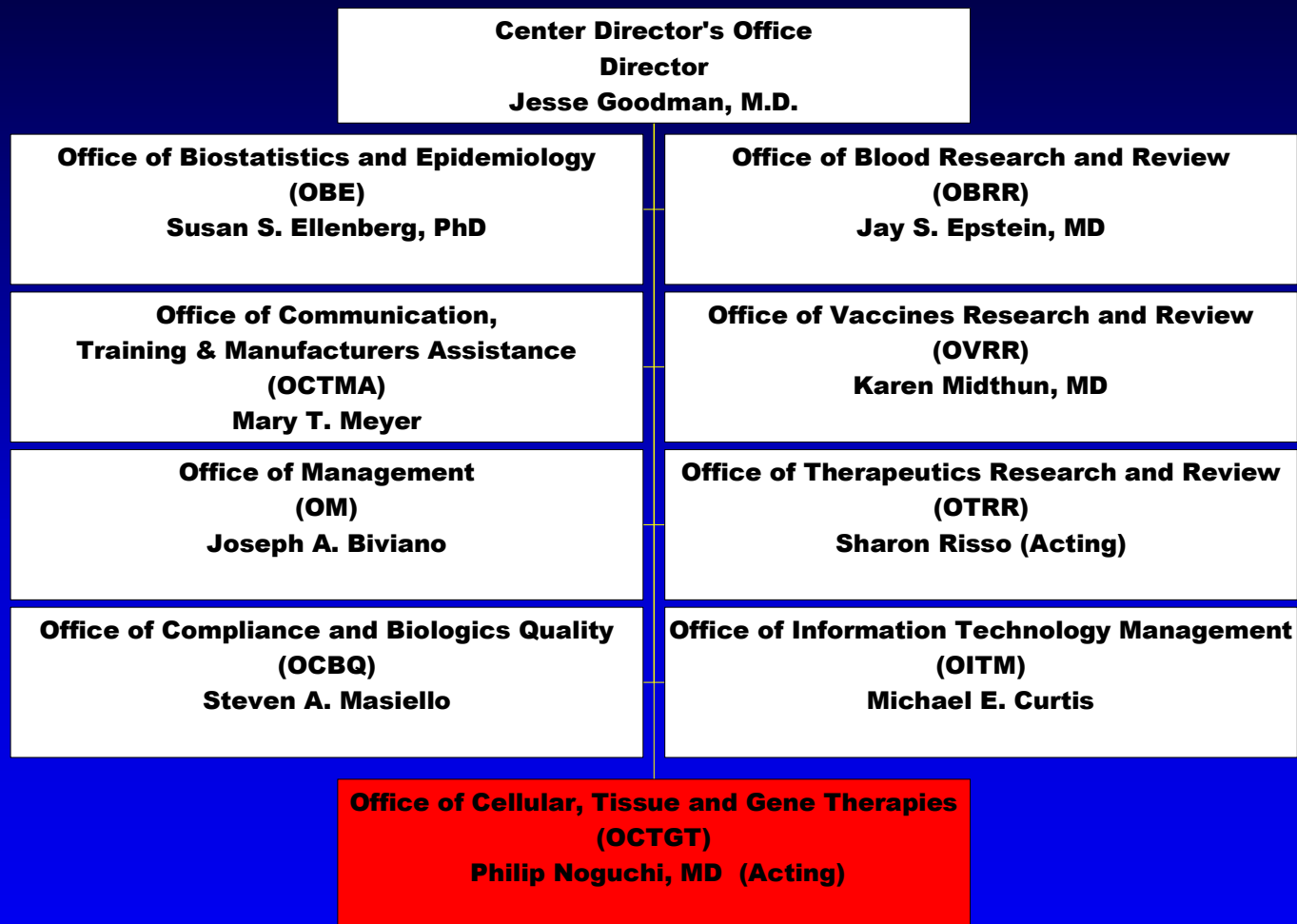
**Numbers are comparable to NMEs
approved during this same time period**



Office of Cellular, Tissue, and Gene Therapies (OCTGT)



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Office of Cellular, Tissue, and Gene Therapies

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Division of Clinical Evaluation & Pharmacology/Toxicology

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Why?

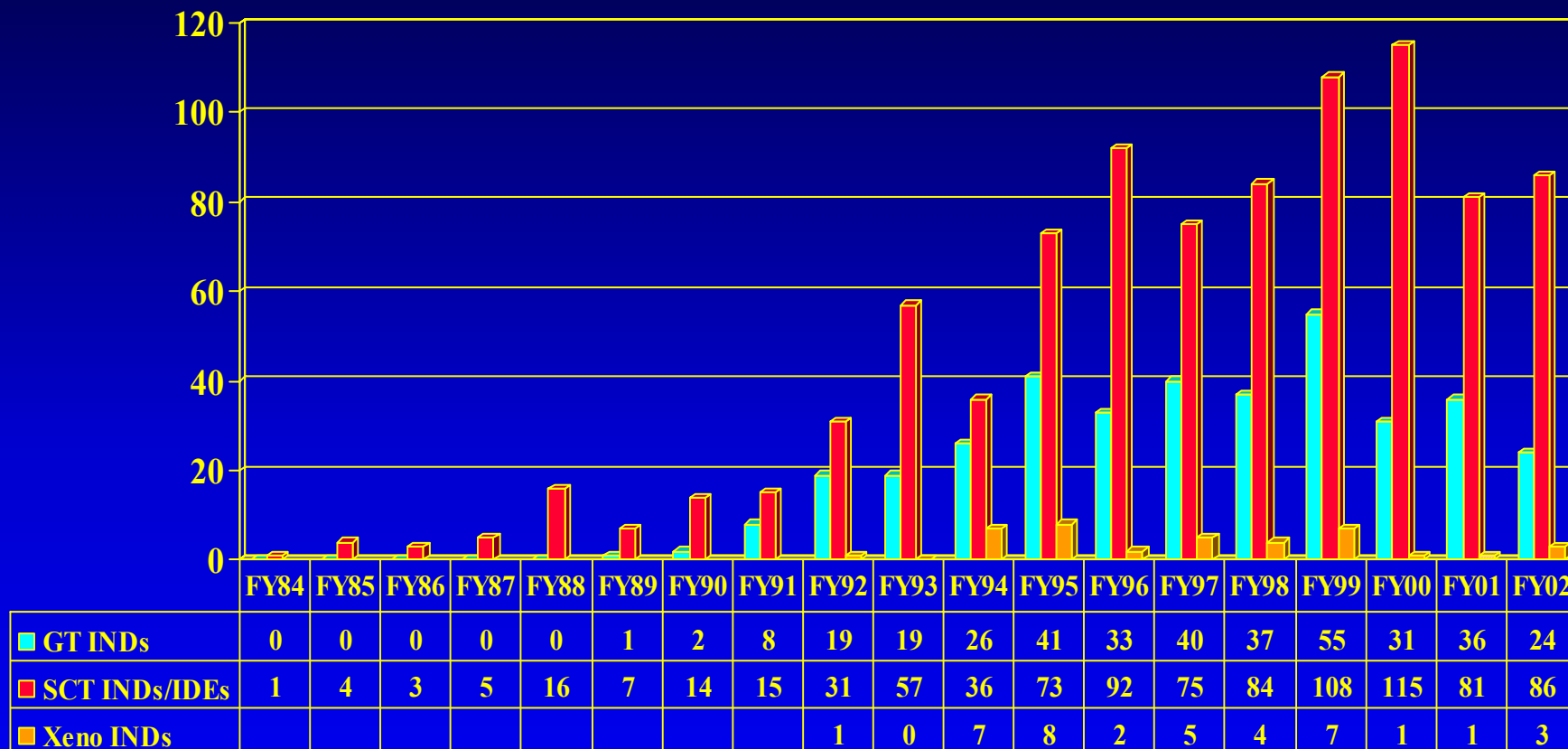
Increase in regulatory activities in the areas of cellular and tissue-based products, gene therapies, and all forms of stem cell transplantation.

Consolidation of products into one office

- Products getting more complex**
- New science advances**
- Need for seamless and transparent coordination and communication**



Gene Therapy, Somatic Cell Therapy, Xenotransplantation INDs/IDEs Received FY 1984 - FY 2002



Note: A total of 7 INDs were for Xeno and GT, and are included in the counts for both.

Mission

Regulatory and review responsibilities:

- Tissues
- Cellular and Tissue-based products
- Gene Therapies
- Xenotransplantation
- Unique assisted reproduction (ooplasm transfer)
- Combination Products containing living cells/tissues

Assure safety, identity, purity and potency of novel products



FDA/CBER and Tissues

Proposed Approach to Tissues

- **Comprehensive Wide spectrum of products**
- **Protect public health**
- **Permit innovations without unnecessary burden**
- **TIERED; RISK-BASED**



Public Health and Regulatory Concerns

Transmission of communicable disease

Processing controls to prevent contamination

Clinical safety and efficacy

Promotional claims/labeling

**Monitoring and information sharing,
quality improvement with industry**



Implementation

Three rules:

- **One Finalized**

 - Establishment Registration and Listing**

 - 63 FR 26744, effective 4/4/01(for currently regulated tissues)
 - Effective date for remaining products to coincide with effective dates for other two rules

- **Two Proposed**

 - Suitability Determination for Donors**

 - 64 FR 52696 Sept. 30, 1999

 - Current Good Tissue Practice (cGTP)**

 - 66 FR 1508 Jan. 8, 2001



Performance-Based Organization

Prescription Drug User Fee Program

Medical Device User Fee Modernization Act

Blood and Tissue Safety



CBER Biologics License Application Approvals for Biotechnology Products 1981-2002

<u>Years</u>	<u>Therapeutics*</u>	<u>Vaccines</u>	<u>IVD</u>	<u>Total</u>
1981-85	0	0	23	23
1986-90	6	2	35	43
1991-95	13	0	59	72
1996-00	26	2	26	54
2000-02	11	2	5	18
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Total	56	6	148	210

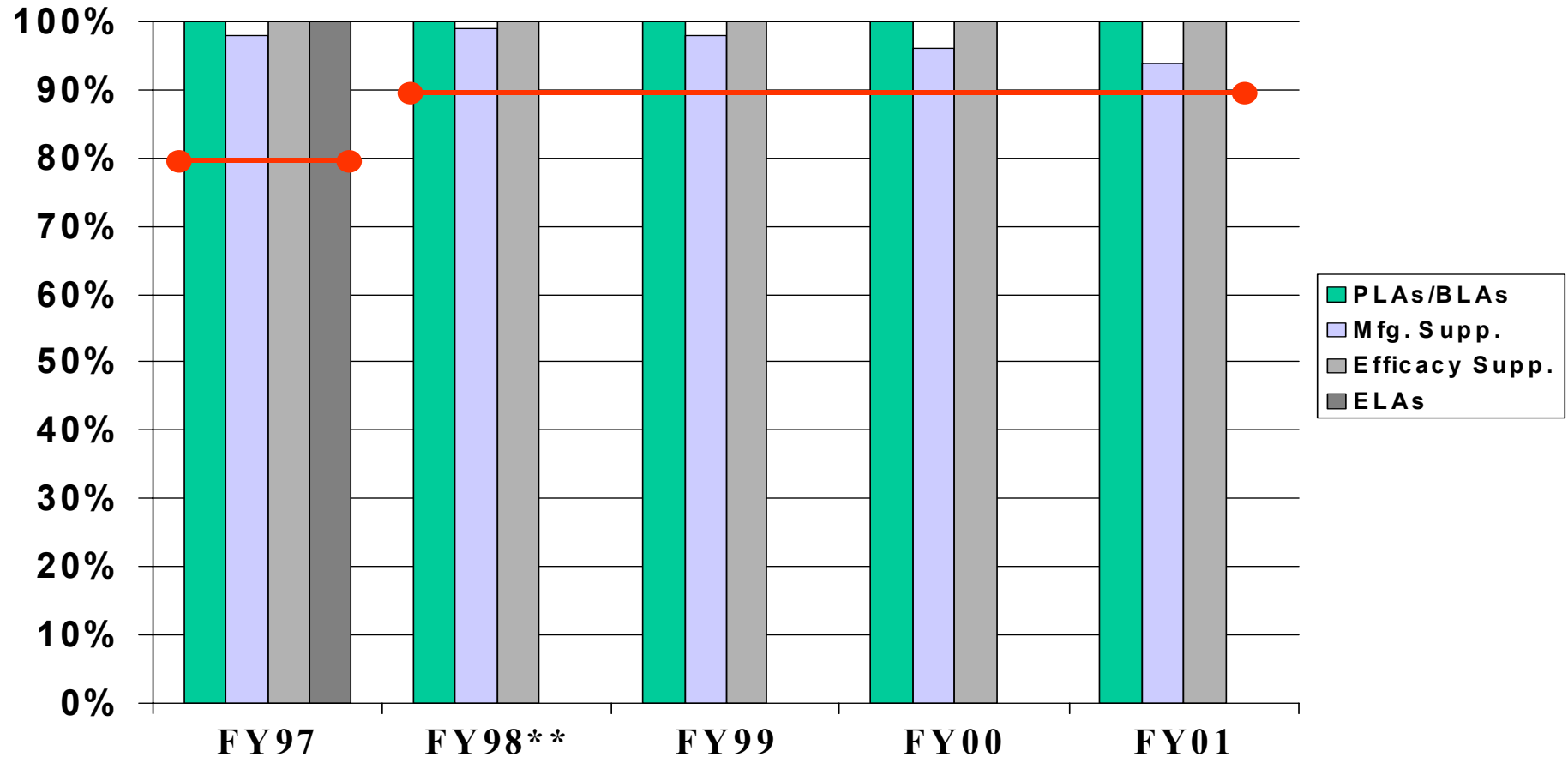


CBER User Fee Review Performance

License Applications and Supplements

% of First Actions Within Goal*

By Cohort Fiscal Years 1997-2001



* PDUFA Performance Goals: FY97 - FY01=90% (Indicated by Red Lines)

** Beginning in FY98 ELAs were no longer included in PDUFA goals

CBER PDUFA II Procedural and Processing Goals Performance (as of December 31, 2002)

Regulatory Meetings Management										
Fiscal Year	Goal	Meeting Requests Received	Actions Within Goal			Actions Overdue			% Completed Within Goal ¹	PDUFA Goal
			Completed	Pending	Total	Completed	Pending	Total		
FY 1999	Response	387	283	0	283	104	0	104	73%	70%
	Held	364	321	0	321	43	0	43	88%	
	Minutes	328	282	0	282	46	0	46	86%	
FY 2000	Response	312	302	0	302	10	0	10	97%	80%
	Held	294	277	0	277	14	3	17	94%	
	Minutes	251	229	0	229	19	3	22	91%	
FY 2001	Response	388	379	0	379	9	0	9	98%	90%
	Held	341	330	0	330	10	1	11	97%	
	Minutes	293	286	0	286	7	0	7	98%	
FY 2002	Response	415	401	0	401	12	2	14	97%	90%
	Held	374	360	0	360	9	5	14	96%	
	Minutes	335	317	2	319	6	10	16	95%	

¹ - of those that have reached the goal date



CBER PDUFA II Procedural and Processing Goals Performance – *cont.*

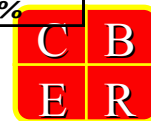
(as of December 31, 2002)

Special Protocol Assessment									
Fiscal Year	Protocol Review Requests Received	Actions Within Goal			Actions Overdue			% Completed Within Goal ¹	PDUFA Goal
		Completed	Pending	Total	Completed	Pending	Total		
FY 1999	0								60%
FY 2000	0								70%
FY 2001	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	100%	80%
FY 2002	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	100%	90%

Major Dispute Resolution									
Fiscal Year	Dispute Resolution Requests Received	Actions Within Goal			Actions Overdue			% Completed Within Goal ¹	PDUFA Goal
		Completed	Pending	Total	Completed	Pending	Total		
FY 1999	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	100%	70%
FY 2000	0								80%
FY 2001	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	100%	90%
FY 2002	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	100%	90%

Responses to Clinical Holds									
Fiscal Year	Responses to Clinical Holds Received	Actions Within Goal			Actions Overdue			% Completed Within Goal ¹	PDUFA Goal
		Completed	Pending	Total	Completed	Pending	Total		
FY 1998	22	18	0	18	4	0	4	82%	75%
FY 1999	77	73	0	73	4	0	4	95%	90%
FY 2000	89	87	0	87	2	0	2	98%	90%
FY 2001	125	115	0	115	10	0	10	92%	90%
FY 2002	121	118	0	119	3	0	3	98%	90%

¹ - of those that have reached the goal date



CBER Review Performance

FY 2002 Cohort of User Fee Applications

Application Types	Numbers				Percent of Actions	
	Submitted	Filed	AP	RTF, UN, or WF	Within Goal	Overdue
New Products	10	9	0	1	22%	0%
Effectiveness Supplements	11	11	2	0	45%	0%
Manufacturing Supplements	748	748	378	0	74%	1%

AP=Approved, RTF=Refuse To file, UN=Unacceptable For Filing, WF=Withdrawn Before Filing

Emerging Infectious Diseases and *Blood and Tissues:* The Challenge Continues



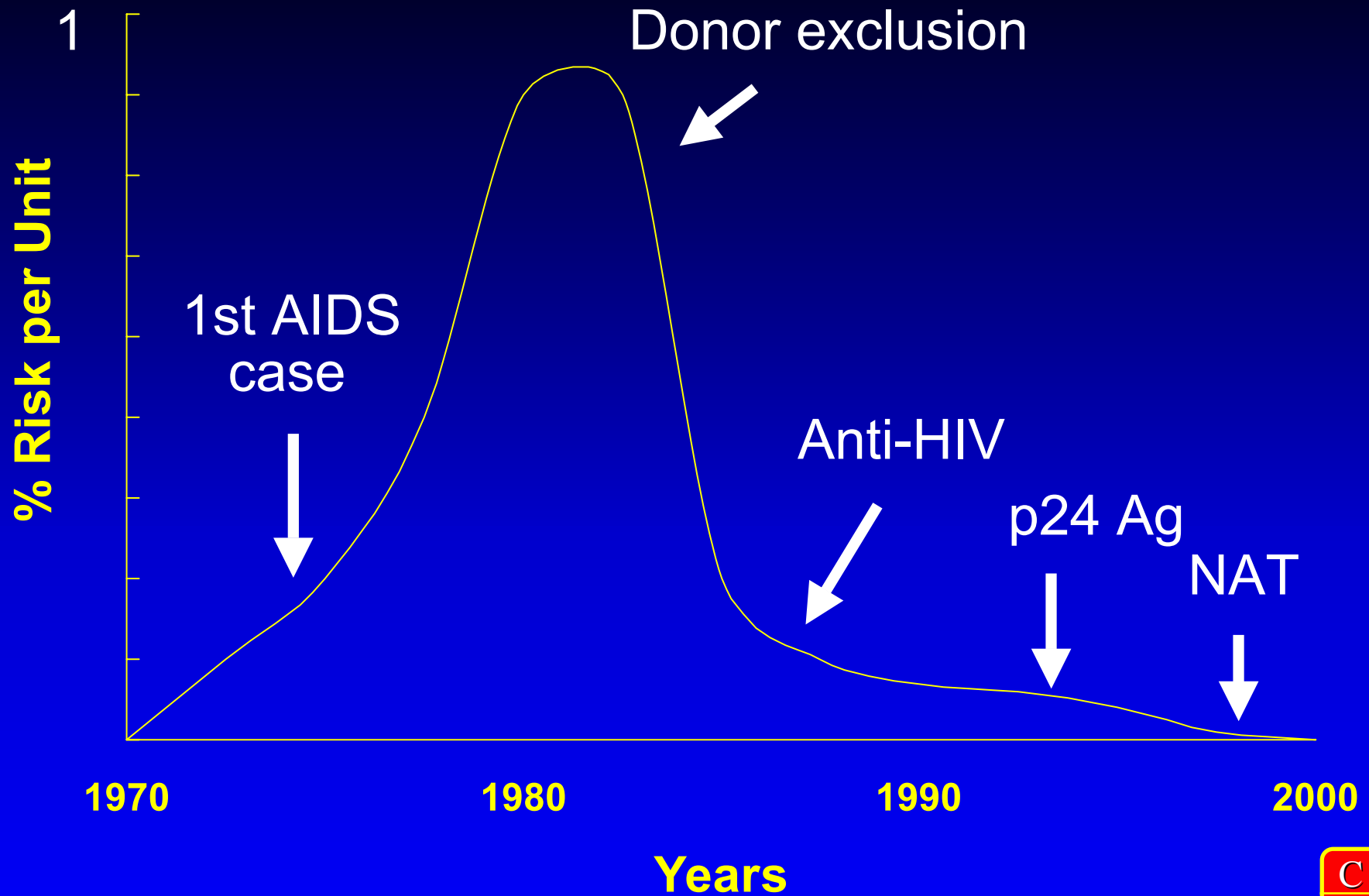
Blood Safety in the 21st Century

**New Blood Screening Tests,
e.g. West Nile Virus**

Pathogen Inactivation

**Oxygen Carriers/Blood
Substitutes**





Data provided by Michael Busch, Blood Centers of the Pacific



Medical Device User Fees

Fees for original applications and some supplements

\$25.1 million in fee revenues during FY 2003 plus \$15 million additional appropriations

First year fees \$154,000 for a premarket applications to \$2,187 for a 510(k)

Reduced fees to protect small businesses



Performance Goals

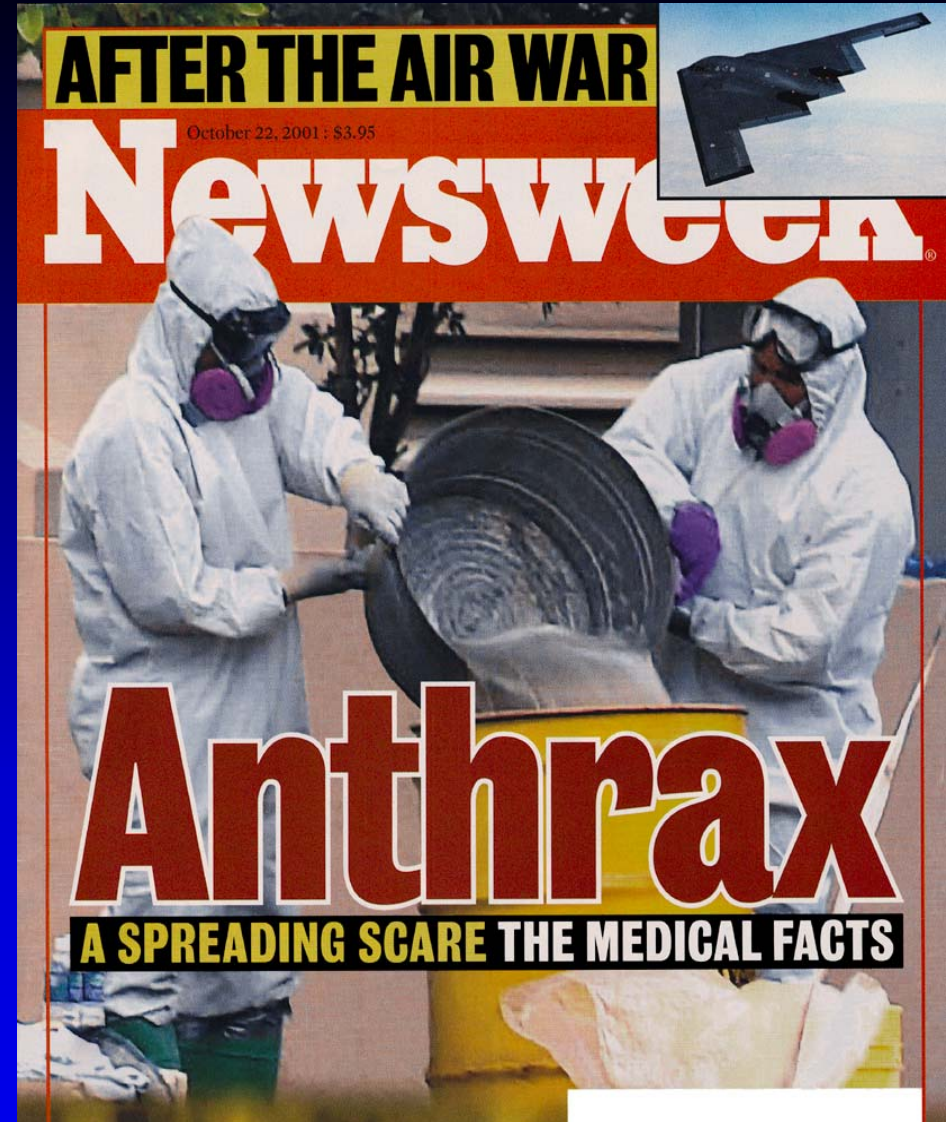
Overall, aim to improve performance 25%

**Goals defined in letter from Secretary
Thompson to Congress**

**Combination of cycle goals and decision goals
(PMAs, 510(k)s)**

Measured in FDA days





COUNTER- BIOTERRORISM

Approaches to Speed Product Availability or Licensure

Early and frequent consultation between sponsor, end user (if different) and FDA

Availability for emergency use under IND

Fast track and accelerated approval processes

Priority review

Approval under “Animal Rule”

Careful attention to risk:benefit and risk management issues

Incentives (existing: orphan, new: push or pull)



Regulation and BT Products: What is the value added?

As for other medical products (but perhaps even more important): need for consistent and objective protection of the public's safety *and need for trust*

- Heat of the moment(s): sense of emergency and national crisis; dangers of decisions made in panic mode
- Almost all parties (even sister agencies, academia) can become invested in product development and availability, financially and/or emotionally
- Need to identify where speed and innovation do not compromise safety or effectiveness
- When things go “wrong” (or even if someone just thinks they did), few will remember the crisis



Key Progress in Information Management Initiatives

Paperless BLAs and NDAs since 6/00

EDR in place and being upgraded

Infrastructure: Standard Platform in place with upgraded network

Pilot Project: Secure e-Mail

RMS-BLA implemented/being upgraded

Working with CDER on ICH e-CTD

Electronic Submission Guidance



Electronic Submissions Guidance

Guidance for Industry: Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format-General Considerations

Revised Guidance for Industry: Providing Regulatory Submissions to CBER in Electronic Format - BLA, PLA, ELA, NDA

Draft Guidance for Industry: Electronic Records; Electronic Signatures; Validation; Glossary of Terms

Draft Guidance for Industry: Prescription Drug Advertising and Promotional Labeling

Draft Guidance for Industry: Pilot Program for Electronic Investigational New Drug (eIND) Applications for Biological Products



CBER e-Business

CBER is the first Center to accept fully electronic regulatory documents with digital signatures and automated submission and processing via ESM

The EDR, ESM, and e-Routing are a complete, robust set of review tools to meet reviewer needs, developed in conjunction with the reviewer community

CBER's electronic submission infrastructure and applications may form the core of an overall FDA electronic submission toolset

The CBER Electronic Submissions program is robust and has made great strides since its inception in 1996



New Technologies

New Vaccines

Cellular and Gene Therapies

Proteomics and Genomics

**Transgenics: Plants and
Animals**

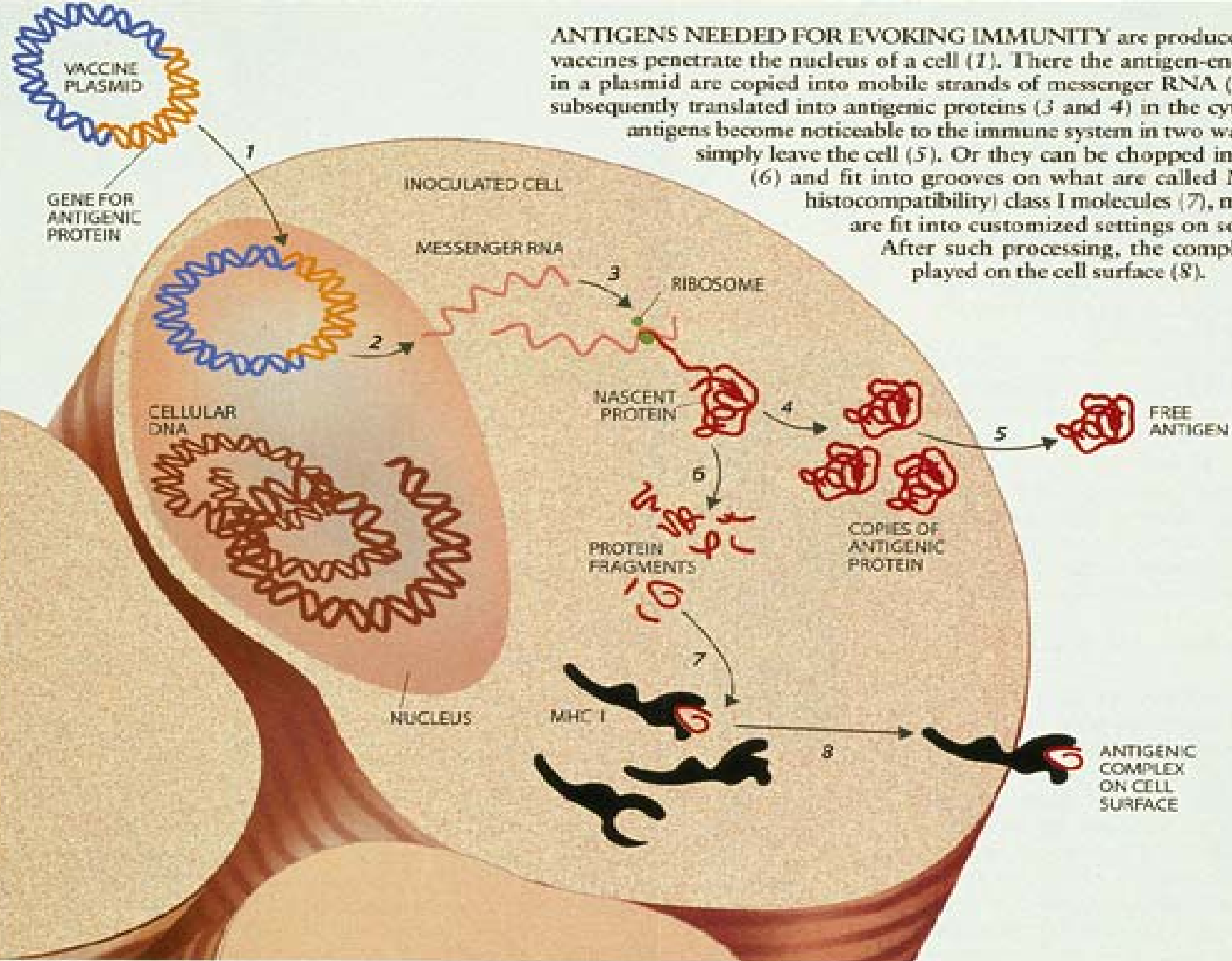
**New Diagnostics for Blood
and Tissue Safety**



Vaccines of the 21st Century

New Vaccines

- **Nucleic Vaccines**
- **Live Attenuated Vaccines**
- **Combination Vaccines**
- **Therapeutic Vaccines**



Tissues, Cells and Related Products

- **Conventional Banked Tissues for Transplantation**
- **Gene Therapy**
- **Reproductive Cells**
- **Human Reproductive and Therapeutic Cloning**
- **Somatic Cell Therapies, e.g. Stem cells**
- **Xenotransplantation (separate Action Plan)**



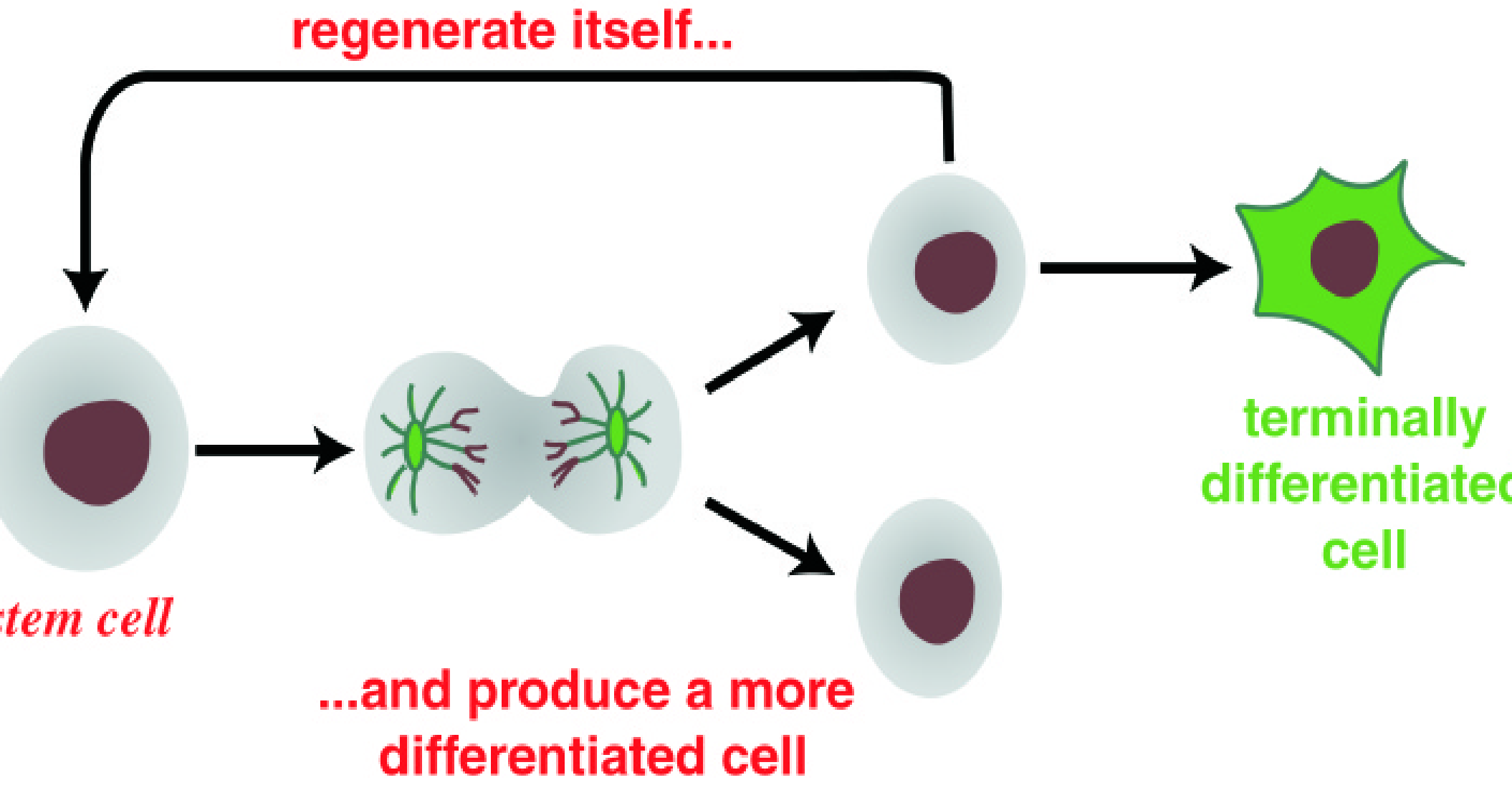
Novel Cell Products

Regenerative Medical Products

- Stem cells e.g. embryonic, mesenchymal
- Tissue Engineering



A *stem cell* is one that can



Cell and Tissue Therapies, e.g.

Hematopoietic stem cells

Embryonic stem cells

Expanded lymphocytes

Assisted reproductive technologies

Tissue engineering

Pancreatic islet cells

Hepatocytes

Cartilage

Xenotransplantation



CAN I REPLACE MY BODY?

BREAST

TODAY: Breasts are reconstructed with saline sacs or with living tissue, using fat and muscle from the back, buttocks or abdomen.
TOMORROW: Breasts may be grown in the lab from a patient's own fat cells and infused back through keyhole slits in the chest.

HEART

TODAY: Bypasses, angioplasty and transplants to keep blood flowing to the heart muscle. Doctors are beginning to use gene therapy to grow new blood vessels.
TOMORROW: Growing functional patches of heart muscle or creating existing heart muscle cells to repair themselves.

ORGANS

TODAY: Small slivers of liver tissue can be grown in the lab from one of the many types of liver cells, but they are not yet ready for transplant.
TOMORROW: Heart, liver, kidneys grown from stem cells in vitro and transplanted into the body.

NERVES

TODAY: Grown in the lab from pig cells and synthetic-polymer matrix.
TOMORROW: Regenerated from stem or precursor cells in the body.

LIMBS

TODAY: Prosthetics wired to peripheral nervous system.
TOMORROW: Prosthetics wired directly to motor portions of the brain to improve control and simulate the sensations of touch, pain, etc.

PENIS

TODAY: Penis implants and medications to maintain erection. Surgery to reattach a severed penis; skin grafts to recover urinary, but not sexual, function if penis is not recovered.
TOMORROW: Medically engineered tissue grown in the lab and attached for final growth to form fully functional penis.

BONE AND CARTILAGE

TODAY: Injection of bone growth factors into jaw and other fracture areas. Researchers can also grow cartilage in the lab in thin sheets, but it's too weak to be functional in the body.
TOMORROW: Coating the body to grow bone and cartilage on biodegradable scaffolds infused with a mix of stem cells and growth factors.

HAIR

TODAY: Transplants, hair plugs and scalp grafts.
TOMORROW: More permanent approaches, perhaps by stimulating dormant follicles with growth proteins.

EYES

TODAY: Laser surgery or implants to correct near- and farsightedness.
TOMORROW: Permanent lens implants to correct vision while leaving the cornea intact.

EARS

TODAY: Cochlear implants to replace damaged inner ear.
TOMORROW: Implants that can be adjusted to pick up a wider range of frequencies at longer distances.

SKIN

TODAY: Sheets grown in the lab from human and synthetic-polymer matrix.
TOMORROW: Grown by the body from stem or precursor cells and growth factors.

BLOOD VESSELS

TODAY: Grown in the lab from pig cells and synthetic-polymer matrix.
TOMORROW: Grown in the lab from stem or precursor cells to avoid rejection by the immune system.

Figure painted
by Gernot
Grafke
Photograph for TIME
by Ted Thui

Xenotransplantation Initiatives

Xenotransplantation Action Plan (XAP)

**Secretary's Advisory Committee on Xeno
(SACX)**

**Xeno Sub-Committee of the Biological
Response Modifiers Advisory Committee
(BRMAC)**

**National Xenotransplantation Registry
and Database**



Transgenics

- **Transgenic Plant and Animal Products**
 - **Vaccines**
 - **Monoclonal Antibodies**
 - **Therapeutic Proteins**



Biosource researchers used tobacco plants as an alternative mechanism for antibody production. The researchers removed malignant B cells from laboratory mice and then isolated the gene for a small piece of the surface markers that are specific to these cells. They inserted this gene into tobacco mosaic virus and then infected tobacco plants.

CBER views on Genomics and Proteomics:

**Critical component of safe and effective drug
development**

**Basis for new drug discovery, biomarkers
and surrogate endpoints for toxicity and
efficacy monitoring**

**Means to detect and assess chemical and
biological terrorist agents**



Regulatory Impact

Vaccine assessment/potency

Surrogate endpoints- efficacy/toxicity

**Quality control/quality assurance for
product production**

New Bioassays

Biomarkers for early detection

Toxicity detection and prediction



Regulatory Impact (cont.)

Discovery of new therapeutics targets

Risk of disease recurrence

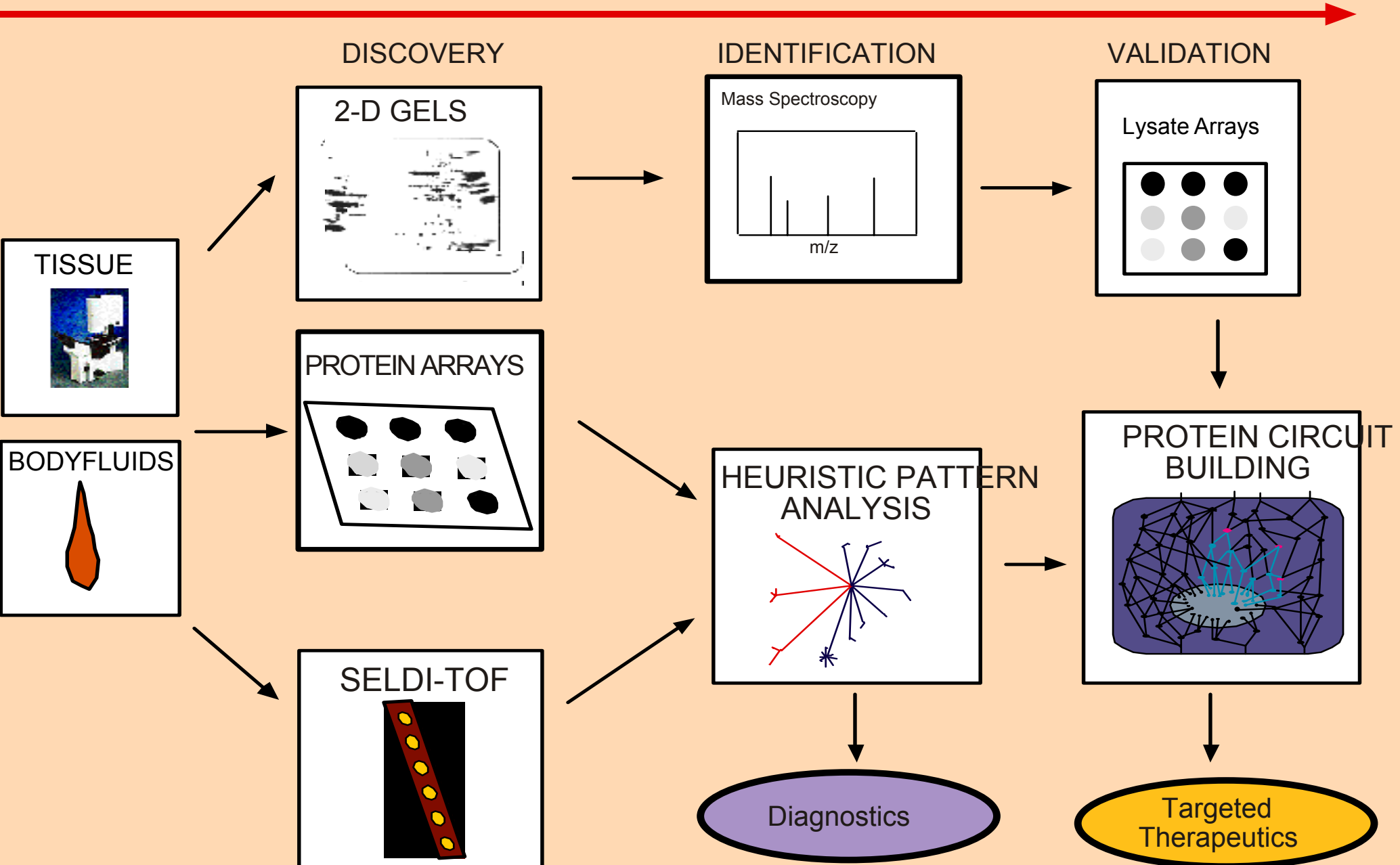
Patient-tailored therapy. Prospective selection

New paradigm in disease classification/characterization

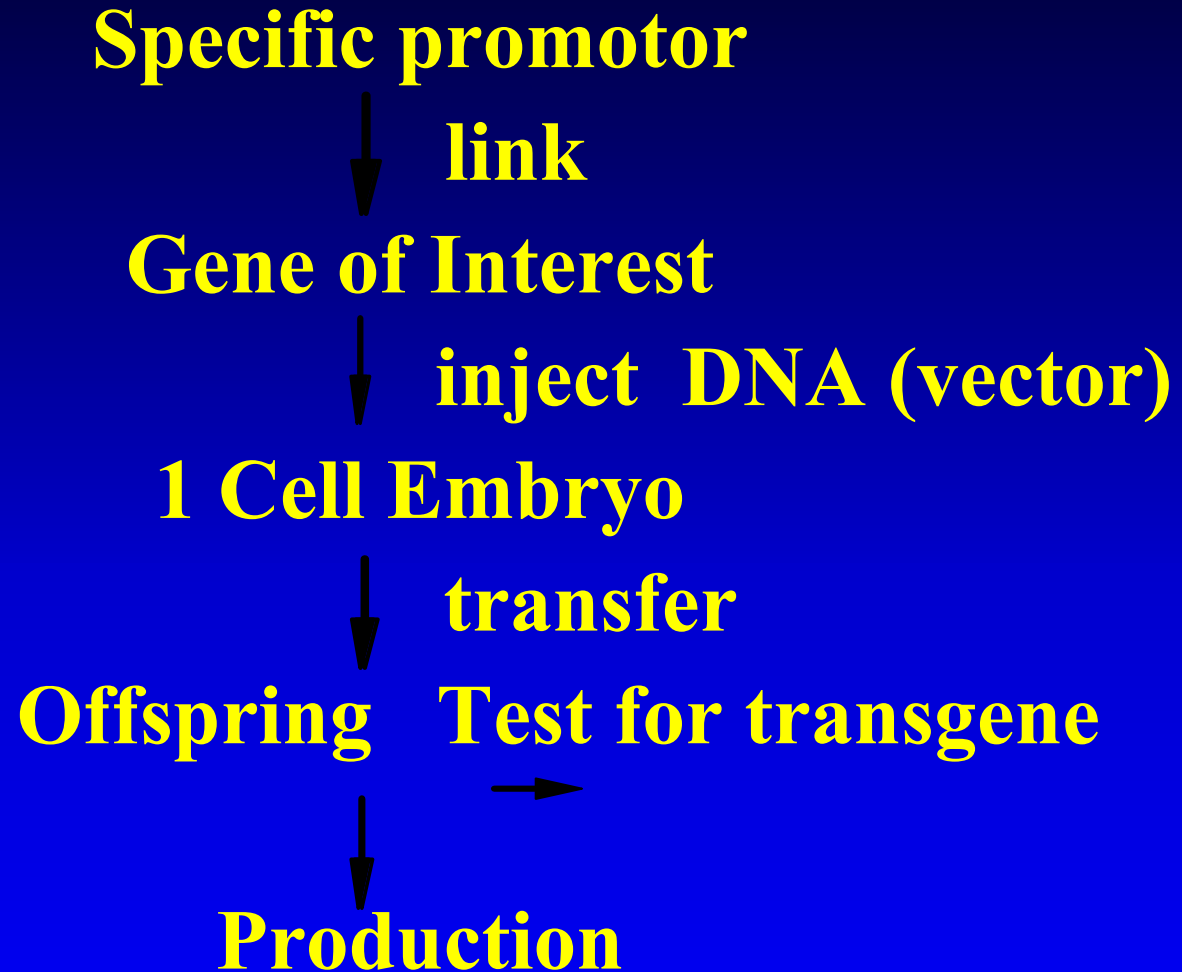
Proteomic-based epidemiology



NCI-CBER/FDA Tissue Proteomics Initiative



Transgenic Animal Biological Product



FDA Regulatory Authority Over Human Cloning



International Harmonization

**International Conference on
Harmonisation: Q, S, E and M topics**

World Health Organizations

US FDA and EU bilateral

**National Institute for Biological
Standards and Controls (NIBSC),
United Kingdom**

**Interactions with Individual Countries,
e.g. Mexico, Canada, Switzerland**



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